AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION

Please amend page 3, lines 14-20, as follows:

In accordance with one aspect of the invention, an axial tube assembly for a motor is provided and includes an axial tube and a sleeve mounted in the axial tube. The axial tube is securely mounted to a casing, and a stator is mounted to the axial tube. When a bearing is mounted in the sleeve, the sleeve is tightly engaged with the axial tube such that the axial tube and the bearing exert forces ~~to~~ on each other to thereby retain the axial tube and the bearing in place.